In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4-6, 12,14, 16-18 and 21 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A composite storage apparatus comprising:
a storage device which has <u>a unit for</u> a first interface; and
a card <u>substrateboard</u> having <u>units for</u> the first <u>interface</u> and <u>a second</u> interfaces interface,

wherein said card board further comprises:

an interface conversion circuit for converting said second interface into said first interface;

a connector which is connected to said interface conversion circuit; and a memory card device which is connected to said interface conversion circuit.

2. (Currently Amended) The composite storage apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said memory card device comprises:

a connector of a memory card; and

a memory card control circuit which is connected to said connector of said memory card and controls at least one of read and write of said memory card.

3. (Original) The composite storage apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein the connector of said memory card comprises a plurality of connectors which support different types of memory cards, and

said memory card control circuit comprises a memory card control circuit for controlling at least one of read and write of said respective different types of memory cards.

- 4. (Currently Amended) The composite storage apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising a cable for connecting the connector of said card board and thea connector of said storage device in the case of an external connection with said second interface.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The composite storage apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising a cable for connecting the connector of said card board and thea connector of said storage device in the case of an external connection with said first interface.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The composite storage apparatus according to Claim 2, further comprising setup means for setting the master/slave between saida memory card and said storage device and disposed in said card board.

- 7. (Original) The composite storage apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said card board mounts said memory card device and said interface conversion circuit on the single side thereof.
- 8. (Original) The composite storage apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said storage device is comprised of a disk drive.
- 9. (Original) The composite storage apparatus according to Claim 8, wherein said storage device is comprised of a removable disk drive.
- 10. (Original) The composite storage apparatus according to Claim 8, wherein said disk drive comprises:
 - a disk drive mechanism; and
- a drive board on which a circuit for controlling said disk drive mechanism is mounted.
- 11. (Original) The composite storage apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said first interface is a parallel interface, and said second interface is a serial interface.

- 12. (Currently Amended) The composite storage apparatus according to Claim 10 Claim 1, wherein said first interface is an ATA/ATAPI interface, and said second interface is a USB interface.
- 13. (Original) A card board having first and second interfaces, comprising:

an interface conversion circuit for converting said second interface into said first interface;

a connector which is connected to said interface conversion circuit, for connecting with the outside using said first interface; and

a memory card device which is connected to said interface conversion circuit and said connector.

14. (Currently Amended) The card board according to Claim 13, wherein said memory card device further comprises:

a connector of a memory card; and

a memory card control circuit which is connected to said connector of said memory card and controls at least one of read and write of said memory card.

15. (Original) The card board according to Claim 14, wherein the connector of said memory card comprises a plurality of connectors which support different

types of memory cards, and said memory card control circuit is a control circuit for controlling at least one of read and write of said respective different types of memory cards.

- 16. (Currently Amended) The card board according to Claim 13, wherein the connector of said card boardmemory and a connector of a storage device are connected with a cable in the case of an external connection with said second interface.
- 17. (Currently Amended) The card board according to Claim 13, wherein said external equipment and the connector of said card board memory are connected with a cable in the case of an external connection with said first interface.
- 18. (Currently Amended) The card board according to Claim 14, further comprising setup means for setting thea master/slave between said memory card and saidan external storage device.
- 19. (Original) The card board according to Claim 13, wherein said card board mounts said memory card device and said interface conversion circuit on a single face thereof.
- 20. (Original) The card board according to Claim 13, wherein said first interface is a parallel interface, and said second interface is a serial interface.

- 21. (Currently Amended) The card board according to Claim 20 Claim 13, wherein said first interface is an ATA/ATAPI interface, and said second interface is a USB interface.
- 22. (Original) The card board according to Claim 13, wherein the connector of said card board and a connector of a removable storage device are connected with a cable in the case of an external connection with said second interface.